

Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

100 East Erie Street
Chicago, IL 60611



Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Thursday, March 21, 2019

10:30 AM

Board Room

Board of Commissioners

Chairman of Finance Frank Avila, Commissioner Cameron Davis, Commissioner Kimberly Du Buclet, Commissioner Marcelino Garcia, Vice-President Barbara J. McGowan, Commissioner Josina Morita, Commissioner Debra Shore, Commissioner Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, President Board of Commissioners Kari K. Steele

THE FOLLOWING PROCEDURES WILL GOVERN THE MEETING PROCESS:

- 1. Board Members who vote "Nay, Present, or Abstain" or have a question on any item may request the item be removed from the Consent Agenda.**
- 2. Citizens in the audience who address the Board on any item may request the item be removed from the Consent Agenda.**
- 3. Items removed from the Consent Agenda are considered separately.**
- 4. One roll call vote is taken to cover all Consent Agenda Items.**

Call Meeting to Order

President Kari K. Steele presiding, called the meeting to order at 10:35 a.m.

Roll Call

Present: 9 - Frank Avila; Cameron Davis; Kimberly Du Buclet; Marcelino Garcia; Barbara J. McGowan; Josina Morita; Debra Shore; Mariyana T. Spyropoulos; and Kari K. Steele

Approval of Previous Board Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, seconded by Cameron Davis, that the minutes from the last meeting be approved without having to read them into the record. The motion carried by acclamation. Chorus of ayes - No nays

Public Comments

George Blakemore, concerned citizen, addressed the Board (Re: Procurement Item #17-20)

Recess and Convene as Committee of the Whole

A motion was made by Frank Avila, seconded by Cameron Davis, to recess and convene as a committee of the whole. The motion carried by acclamation. Chorus of Ayes - No Nays

Recess and Reconvene as Board of Commissioners

At 12:15 p.m. President Kari K. Steele reconvened the regular board meeting to order

Finance Committee

Report

- 1 [19-0267](#) Report on the Government Finance Officer's Association Distinguished Budget Presentation Award to the District for the 2018 Budget and Certificates of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting to the District, the MWRD Retirement Fund, and to the MWRD Retiree Health Care Trust for the Fiscal Year 2017

Published and Filed

- 2 [19-0268](#) Report on Cash Disbursements for the Month of February 2019, in the amount of \$20,925,540.65

Attachments: [February 2019 Cash Disbursements Summary](#)

Published and Filed

Procurement Committee

Report

- 3 [19-0248](#) Report of bid opening of Tuesday, March 5, 2019

Published and Filed

Authorization

- 4 [19-0252](#) Authorization for payment to Isle Inc., for the annual membership in the Isle - Technology Approval Group, in an amount not to exceed \$15,000.00, Account 101-15000-612280

Deferred by Mariyana T. Spyropoulos

- 5 [19-0253](#) Authorization for payment to the Lower Des Plaines Watershed Group for Fiscal Year 2019 Membership Dues in an amount not to exceed \$127,844.80, Account 101-15000-612280

Approved

- 6 [19-0254](#) Authorization to amend Board Order of November 1, 2018, regarding Issue a purchase order and enter into an agreement with Burns and McDonnell Engineering Company, Inc. for professional engineering post award services for Contract 14-252-5F Flood Control Project on Natalie Creek in Midlothian and Oak Forest, Illinois, in an amount not to exceed \$552,027.96, Account 501-50000-612450, Requisition 1504937, Agenda Item No. 23, File No. 18-1107

Attachments: [November 1, 2018 Board Transmittal Letter - File # 18-1107.pdf](#)

Approved

- 7 [19-0264](#) Authorization to amend Board Order of May 17, 2018, to Issue purchase order and enter into an agreement with Harris Corporation to Furnish Telephone Support for the TARP Radio Communication System, in an amount not to exceed \$35,000.00, Accounts 101-67000, 68000, 69000-612600, Requisition 1440558, Agenda Item No. 19, File No. 18-0477, amended February 7, 2019, Agenda Item No. 11, File No. 19-0130

Attachments: [May 17, 2018 Board Transmittal Letter - File #18-0477.pdf](#)
[February 7, 2019 Board Transmittal Letter - File#19-0130.pdf](#)

Approved

- 8 [19-0273](#) Authorization to increase cost estimate for Contract 17-134-3M Odor Control Facilities at Sludge Concentration, Southwest Coarse Screen, Overhead Weir, and Post-Centrifuge Building, Stickney Water Reclamation Plant, estimated cost range from \$14,250,000.00 to \$17,250,000.00, to estimated cost range from \$15,485,000.00 to \$18,745,000.00, Account 401-50000-645650, Requisition 1497121

Attachments: [17-134-3MR Project Fact Sheet.pdf](#)

Approved

Authority to Advertise

- 9 [19-0247](#) Authority to advertise Contract 19-115-11 Furnish and Deliver 45 Metromax Q Shelf Trucks, estimated cost \$27,910.00, Account 101-16000-623570, Requisition 1516890
- Approved**
- 10 [19-0251](#) Authority to advertise Contract 19-482-11 Provide Polycom Premier Support for Existing District Polycom Videoconference Units, estimated cost \$40,181.00, Account 101-27000-612840, Requisition 1516169
- Approved**
- 11 [19-0263](#) Authority to advertise Contract 19-672-11 Furnishing and Delivering Tires for Heavy Equipment to Various Locations, estimated cost \$75,000.00, Account 101-66000-623250, Requisition 1510132
- Approved**
- 12 [19-0283](#) Authority to advertise Contract 19-004-11 Furnish and Deliver Miscellaneous Steel and Stainless Steel to Various Locations for a One (1) Year Period, estimated cost \$150,000.00, Account 101-20000-623030
- Approved**
- 13 [19-0284](#) Authority to advertise Contract 19-017-11 Furnish and Deliver Electrical Supplies, Wire, and Cable to Various Locations for a One (1) Year Period, estimated cost \$282,000.00, Accounts 101-20000-623070, 623170, 623680, 623850.
- Approved**
- 14 [19-0285](#) Authority to advertise Contract 19-070-11 Furnish and Deliver Miscellaneous Batteries to Various Locations for a One (1) Year Period, estimated cost \$37,000.00, Account 101-20000-623070
- Approved**

Issue Purchase Order

- 15 [19-0200](#) Issue purchase order and enter into an agreement with Red Sky Technologies Inc., for maintenance and upgrades, in an amount not to exceed \$20,680.00, Account 101-27000-612820, Requisition 1516038 (*Deferred from the March 7, 2019 Board Meeting*)
- Approved**
- 16 [19-0260](#) Issue purchase order and enter into an agreement with Illinois Department of Innovation and Technology, an Illinois State Agency, for LEADS Access and Support, in an amount not to exceed \$81,792.00, Account 101-27000-612210, Requisition 1517264
- Approved**
- 17 [19-0261](#) Issue purchase order to CDW Government LLC, to Furnish and Deliver FireEye Web Security Licensing and Support, in an amount not to exceed \$37,362.76, Account 101-27000-612840, Requisition 1517115
- A motion was made by Marcelino Garcia, seconded by Barbara J. McGowan, authorizing the Executive Director to Delete this Agenda Item. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:**
- Aye:** 9 - Frank Avila, Cameron Davis, Kimberly Du Buclet, Marcelino Garcia, Barbara J. McGowan, Josina Morita, Debra Shore, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, Kari K. Steele
- 18 [19-0282](#) Issue purchase orders and enter into an agreement with Johnson Controls, Inc., to Provide Upgrades, Maintenance, and Repair Services on HVAC Control Systems at the Stickney, Calumet, and Egan Water Reclamation Plants, in an amount not to exceed \$154,000.00, Accounts 101-67000, 68000, 69000-612680, 623070, Requisitions 1504613, 1504615, and 1504617
- A motion was made by Marcelino Garcia, seconded by Barbara J. McGowan, authorizing the Executive Director to Delete this Agenda Item. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:**
- Aye:** 9 - Frank Avila, Cameron Davis, Kimberly Du Buclet, Marcelino Garcia, Barbara J. McGowan, Josina Morita, Debra Shore, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, Kari K. Steele
- 19 [19-0289](#) Issue purchase orders to Trojan Technologies, Inc., to Furnish and Deliver Ultraviolet Disinfection System Parts and Related Accessories, to Various Locations for a Three-Year Period, in a total amount not to exceed \$1,200,000.00, Accounts 101-66000, 67000, 6800, 69000-623070, 623090, 623270
- A motion was made by Marcelino Garcia, seconded by Barbara J. McGowan, authorizing the Executive Director to Delete this Agenda Item. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:**
- Aye:** 9 - Frank Avila, Cameron Davis, Kimberly Du Buclet, Marcelino Garcia, Barbara J. McGowan, Josina Morita, Debra Shore, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, Kari K. Steele

- 20 [19-0290](#) Issue purchase orders to Alfa Laval, Inc., to Furnish and Deliver Repair Parts for Alfa Laval Centrifuges and Ashbrook Simon-Hartley Gravity Belt Thickeners to Various Locations, in a total amount not to exceed \$2,250,000.00, Accounts 101-66000, 67000, 68000, 69000-623070, 623090, 623270

A motion was made by Marcelino Garcia, seconded by Barbara J. McGowan, authorizing the Executive Director to Delete this Agenda Item. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Aye: 9 - Frank Avila, Cameron Davis, Kimberly Du Buclet, Marcelino Garcia, Barbara J. McGowan, Josina Morita, Debra Shore, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, Kari K. Steele

Award Contract

- 21 [19-0241](#) Authority to award Contract 19-668-11, Hazardous Waste Disposal from various locations, to Tradebe Environmental Services, LLC, in an amount not to exceed \$198,064.46, Account 101-66000-612520, Requisition 1502962
(Deferred from the March 7, 2019 Board Meeting)

A motion was made by Cameron Davis, seconded by Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, that this Agenda Item be Deferred. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Aye: 9 - Frank Avila, Cameron Davis, Kimberly Du Buclet, Marcelino Garcia, Barbara J. McGowan, Josina Morita, Debra Shore, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, Kari K. Steele

- 22 [19-0269](#) Authority to award Contract 19-902-31, Rehabilitate One Electric Motor at the Stickney Water Reclamation Plant, to L & S Electric, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$272,440.00, Account 401-50000-645700, Requisition 1507882

Approved

- 23 [19-0286](#) Authority to award Contract 19-028-11, Furnish and Deliver Miscellaneous Paper Filters, Crucibles, and Petri Dishes to Various Locations for a One (1) Year Period, Group A to Fisher Scientific Company, L.L.C., in an amount not to exceed \$90,538.63, Group B to Taylor Distribution Group, LLC, in an amount not to exceed \$26,437.11, and Group C to Thomas Scientific, LLC, in an amount not to exceed \$63,897.12, Account 101-20000-623570 *(As Revised)*

Attachments: [Contract 19-028-11 Item Descriptions, Group A.pdf](#)
[Contract 19-028-11 Item Descriptions, Group B.pdf](#)
[Contract 19-028-11 Item Descriptions, Group C.pdf](#)

Approved

Increase Purchase Order/Change Order

- 24 [19-0256](#) Authority to decrease Contract 15-265-3D Safety Railing Around Tanks, Calumet Water Reclamation Plant, to Fence Masters Inc. in an amount of \$85,710.00, from an amount of \$1,462,555.83, to an amount not to exceed \$1,376,845.83, and to decrease the related five percent change order allowance in an amount of \$65,225.67, from an amount of \$65,225.67 to an amount not to exceed \$0.00, Account 401-50000-645650, Purchase Order 4000043

Approved

- 25 [19-0262](#) Authority to decrease Contract 15-120-3P Conversion of GCTs to WASSTRIP Process, Stickney Water Reclamation Plant to Morrison Construction Company in an amount of \$256,797.76 from an amount of \$5,408,467.89, to an amount not to exceed \$5,151,670.13, and to decrease the related five percent change order allowance in an amount of \$4,309.54, from an amount of \$4,309.54, to an amount not to exceed \$0.00, Account 401-50000-645650, Purchase Order 4000035

Attachments: [15-120-3P CO Log PO 4000035.pdf](#)

Deferred by Mariyana T. Spyropoulos

Engineering Committee

Report

- 26 [19-0281](#) Report on change orders authorized and approved by the Director of Engineering during the month of February 2019

Attachments: [Attachment 1 CO Report February 2019 \\$10,000.pdf](#)

[Attachment 2 CO Report February 2019 2018 5% Contingency.pdf](#)

[Attachment 3 CO Status Report February 2019.pdf](#)

Published and Filed

Judiciary Committee

Report

- 27 [19-0299](#) Report on August 30, 2018 Explosion at the Calumet Water Reclamation Plant

Deleted by the Executive Director

Stormwater Management Committee

Authorization

- 28 [19-0259](#) Authority to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with and make payment to the Village of Broadview for the construction, operation and maintenance of the 2019 Green Alley Improvements Project (19-IGA-04), in an amount not to exceed \$407,615.00, Account 501-50000-612400, Requisition 1516170
Approved
- 29 [19-0274](#) Authority to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with and make payment to the Town of Cicero for the construction, operation and maintenance of the 2019 Green Infrastructure Alley Paving Improvements (19-IGA-02), in an amount not to exceed \$268,865.00, Account 501-50000-612400, Requisition 1516898
Approved
- 30 [19-0275](#) Authority to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with and make payment to the Village of LaGrange for the construction, operation and maintenance of the Village Hall and Lot 8 Permeable Paver Project (19-IGA-08), in an amount not to exceed \$298,350.00, Account 501-50000-612400, Requisition 1516906
Approved
- 31 [19-0276](#) Authority to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with and make payment to the Board Of Education of Cook County School District 154 for the construction, operation and maintenance of the Wolcott School Playground Enhancement in Thornton, Illinois (19-IGA-09), in an amount not to exceed \$143,500.00, Account 501-50000-612400, Requisition 1516897
Approved
- 32 [19-0277](#) Authority to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with and make payment to the Village of Ford Heights for the construction, operation and maintenance of the Ford Heights Green Streets Project (19-IGA-12), in an amount not to exceed \$356,500.00, Account 501-50000-612400, Requisition 1516896
Approved
- 33 [19-0278](#) Authority to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with and make payment to the Village of Tinley Park for the construction, operation and maintenance of the North Street Permeable Pavers Project (19-IGA-15), in an amount not to exceed \$200,000.00, Account 501-50000-612400, Requisition 1516907
Approved
- 34 [19-0279](#) Authority to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with and make payment to the Village of River Grove for the construction, operation and maintenance of the 2018 Green Alleys Program (19-IGA-16), in an amount not to exceed \$385,000.00, Account 501-50000-612400, Requisition 1516908
Approved

Miscellaneous and New Business

Resolution

- 35 [19-0270](#) RESOLUTION sponsored by the Board of Commissioners recognizing the month of March 2019 as Women's History Month *(As Revised)*
Adopted
- 36 [19-0271](#) RESOLUTION sponsored by the Board of Commissioners recognizing Immaculate Conception School, Third Place Winner, in the 2019 State of Illinois Future City Competition *(As Revised)*
Adopted
- 37 [19-0272](#) RESOLUTION sponsored by the Board of Commissioners recognizing Greek Independence Day *(As Revised)*
A motion was made by Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, seconded by Frank Avila, that this Resolution be Adopted. The motion carried by acclamation. Chorus of ayes - No nays
- 38 [19-0291](#) RESOLUTION sponsored by the Board of Commissioners recognizing Andy Donakowski and his work at Friends of the Chicago River *(As Revised)*
Deleted by the Executive Director
- 39 [19-0292](#) RESOLUTION sponsored by the Board of Commissioners recognizing the Association for Applied and Therapeutic Humor's 29th Annual Conference *(As Revised)*
Adopted

Approval of the Consent Agenda with the exception of Items: 4, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 25, 27, 37, 38, 40, 41 and 42

A motion was made by Debra Shore, seconded by Frank Avila, to Approve the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Aye: 8 - Frank Avila, Kimberly Du Buclet, Marcelino Garcia, Barbara J. McGowan, Josina Morita, Debra Shore, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, Kari K. Steele

Absent: 1 - Cameron Davis

- 40 [19-0300](#) RESOLUTION sponsored by the Board of Commissioners honoring Bharathi Theertha as they Celebrate their 16th Annual World Water Day *(As Revised)*
A motion was made by Frank Avila, seconded by Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, that this Resolution be Adopted. The motion carried by acclamation. Chorus of ayes - No nays
- 41 [19-0302](#) RESOLUTION sponsored by the Board of Commissioners recognizing Bharathi Theertha for leading and organizing international conferences on water and waste management in the states of Telangana and Andhra Pradesh of India
A motion was made by Frank Avila, seconded by Kimberly Du Buclet, that this Resolution be Adopted. The motion carried by acclamation. Chorus of ayes - No nays

42 [19-0303](#)

RESOLUTION sponsored by the Board of Commissioners recognizing Solar Appreciation Day

A motion was made by Kimberly Du Buclet, seconded by Cameron Davis, that this Resolution be Adopted. The motion carried by acclamation. Chorus of ayes - No nays

Meeting Summary

Speakers

Matthew Glavas, Comptroller, presented the GFOA awards (Re: Finance Item #1)

Ekaterina Dimakis, Greek General Consul, accepted the resolution recognizing Greek Independence Day (Re: Miscellaneous and New Business Item #37)

Dr. Prakasam Tata, President of Bharathi Theertha, accepted the resolution honoring Bharathi Theertha as they celebrate their 16th Annual World Water Day (Re: Miscellaneous and New Business Item #40)

Hitesh Shah, MWRD Managing Engineer at the Egan Plant, KhaJa Moinuddin, MWRD Civil Engineer, Chetan Kale, Kale Tech, Syamasunder Pappu, MWRD Electrical Engineer, Dr. Roger Iliff, Chairman of the Incubation Committee, Rotary Club of Naperville, and Dr. Prakasam Tata, President of Bharathi Theertha, accepted the resolution recognizing Bharathi Theertha for leading and organizing international conferences on water and waste management in the states of Telangana and Andhra Pradesh of India (Re: Miscellaneous and New Business Item #41)

Rebecca Judd, Illinois chapter of the Sierra Club, and Jeff Sheldon, IEC, accepted the resolution recognizing Solar Appreciation Day (Re: Miscellaneous and New Business Item #42)

Summary of Requests

Stormwater Management Item #28

1. Debra Shore requested partner agency staff are made aware of the green infrastructure training being held next month and to consider enlisting staff with the knowledge and training in green infrastructure for those projects

2. Barbara J. McGowan requested the participation goals

Miscellaneous and New Business

1. Debra Shore requested an executive session be held on this item (Stormwater Management Item #27)

2. Barbara J. McGowan requested information on the Contract with Walsh be distributed to the Board

Study Session

A Study Session will be held on Monday, March 25, 2019, at 10:30 a.m. in the Board Room, 100 East Erie Street, Chicago, Illinois. The purpose of the Study Session is to discuss the District's Affirmative Action Ordinance relating to furnish and deliver contracts.

Announcements

Kari K. Steele announced MWRD will have a booth at the Chicago Flower and Garden Show at Navy Pier this weekend.

Kari K. Steele announced that the District will be hosting an event to celebrate Women's History month this evening.

Frank Avila announced a World Water Day Event will take place at the Oakbrook Public Library Saturday from 1-4 p.m.

Board Letter Submission Dates

The next regular board meeting is scheduled for April 4, 2019, please prepare and submit Board items before the following absolute cutoff dates.

Date agenda items are due to the Director of Procurement and Materials Management for signature and preparation: March 22, 2019

Date all agenda items are due to the Executive Director: 1:00 p.m., March 27, 2019

Adjournment

A motion was made by Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, seconded by Barbara J. McGowan, that when the Board Adjourns, it adjourns to meet again on Thursday, April 4, 2019 at 10:30 a.m. and also move that today's meeting be Adjourned. The motion carried by the following roll call vote: /s/ Jacqueline Torres, Clerk

Aye: 8 - Frank Avila, Kimberly Du Buclet, Marcelino Garcia, Barbara J. McGowan, Josina Morita, Debra Shore, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, Kari K. Steele

Absent: 1 - Cameron Davis

APPROVAL:

In accordance with the provisions of 70ILCS 2605/4, each of the foregoing agenda items duly adopted by the Board of Commissioners of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago this March 21, 2019, are hereby approved.

APPROVED:

/s/ Kari K. Steele

**President Board of Commissioners of the
Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago**

March 21, 2019